

REMARKS

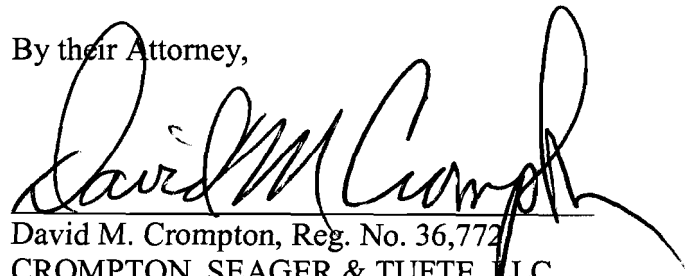
Applicants have carefully reviewed the Office Action dated September 22, 2006, in which election of a single invention and a single species was requested in compliance with 35 U.S.C. §121. In response to the Office Action, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute Invention I and Species E as indicated in the Office Action, corresponding to claims 1-7 and 9-21. Applicants make this election without traverse. Upon allowance of a generic claim, full consideration of all withdrawn claims to non-elected species embraced by the generic claim is respectfully requested.

Examination of the above-identified claims is respectfully requested. If a phone conference is believed necessary to resolve any outstanding issues with respect to the above discussion, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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